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### 'Lovely breasts' nurse suspended

A MALE nurse who told a patient her breasts were "lovely" has been suspended for nine months.

Wayne Bronze worked at Island Surgery, on Canvey, and in April 2015 commented on the patient's bust after examination.

The Nursing and Midwifery Council heard last Wednesday how Bronze told the

woman: "...nothing wrong with those – they look lovely to me."

Bronze admitted the allegation, but denied – and was cleared of – telling the patient at a later appointment: "I have a sudden urge to slap your bum."

Bronze also admitted to more than 20 allegations of breaching protocol and inappropriate conduct – including multiple charges of seeing female patients without an appropriately trained chaperone.

He also admitted failing to remove inappropriate photos from his Facebook account, including one that said: "Spread happiness by smiling at a stranger today or flash them your boobs! Strangers

love boobs."

Bronze was however cleared of being sexually motivated. The panel instead found the breaches amounted to "inappropriate conduct".

The panel also heard positive testimonials from other patients and a previous line manager.

Bronze has a long service in healthcare and there were no

previous findings against him.

But the panel opted for a suspension amid claims he could still pose a risk to patients

It added that it had considered striking him off, but was "satisfied" that any risk of repetition "can be addressed by the imposition of a suspension order".

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# FIRE UP

● A UK first as Essex Police Commissioner adds fire services to radical new role

THE man elected to oversee Essex Police has been put in charge of the county's fire services.

Roger Hirst was named as the UK's first Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner on October 1.

He was unable to attend the civic ceremony organised for his appointment on Monday as he had a bad back.

A spokesman for Mr Hirst said he had taken on the new role without any increase to his £85,000 salary or benefits.

Mr Hirst was elected Police and Crime Commissioner for Essex in May 2016, and has remained a councillor for Brentwood Council.

According to council and Police Commission documents, he also works as a paid advisor for Essex County Council and for Hermes Investment Management.

He is the first PCC in the country to have received approval from the Home Secretary to take on the governance of the fire and rescue service.

The change was approved after the submission of a business case to the Home Office after a period of local consultation.

Mr Hirst replaces members of the former Essex Fire Authority and will oversee the fire and rescue service's strategy and budget.

The county's chief fire officer will report directly to him.

Mr Hirst said: "I am honoured to become this country's first Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner. It is a great opportunity for Essex and means the public can benefit from a more coordinated approach between the two services."

"This isn't going to be a revolution. A firefighter will remain a



TOP MAN:  
Roger Hirst

firefighter and a police constable will remain a police constable.

"But there is a lot more we can do to align two services. We can work together on prevention and making sure we can do all we can to keep vulnerable people safe."

He added: "I'm directly elected by the public and will listen to what people want from their police and fire and rescue services. We are accountable to those we serve."

Essex County Fire and Rescue Service's chief fire officer, Adam

'This isn't going to be a revolution – but there's a lot we can do to align the two services.'

Eckley, said: "Essex County Fire and Rescue Service has undertaken significant reform in recent years to become one of the best-performing services in the UK."

"This change in our governance is a significant milestone in our transformation and an exciting step for us locally. All eyes will be upon us."

Essex Police Chief Constable, Stephen Kavanagh, said: "Firefighters and police officers share much more than a blue light."

"With the fire service, we're exploring new areas where working together can make the county safer."

"Police deal with much more than crime and firefighters much more than fire, so working together in a structured way is a sensible way of using very limited resources – not only to respond to incidents but to try and prevent them."

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# All in the line of duty

GLITZ and glamour aren't normally words you associate with a hospital, but there was plenty of both at the fifth annual Southend Hospital Heroes Awards this week.

The event took place at Saxon Hall, Southend, and the great and the good of the hospital who had been shortlisted for this year's eight categories were celebrated and collected their gongs in front of David Amess MP, the Deputy Mayor of Southend Cllr Mr Derek Jarvis and Chairman of Rayleigh Town Council Cllr Carol Pavelin.

Award categories included Innovation, Care With Compassion, Unsung Hero, Managing Director's Professional and Accountable, Working

Together, Employee of the Year, Chairman's Outstanding Achievement and Patients' Choice.

CEO Clare Panniker said: "With increasing demand for our services, the provision of compassionate, high quality patient care has never been more important than now. And, thanks to all of you, we are making great strides towards building a strong foundation for the future."

The Patients' Choice winner was consultant urological surgeon Panagiotis Dimopoulos. He said: "I feel really honoured. The true heroes are those struggling in their everyday lives for their health, I'm just one of the many people at the hospital who helps



improve their lives. It was quite unexpected to hear that I got over 8,000 votes – so I want to thank everyone who voted."

On hearing of his win two relatives of his patients posted praise for the consultant on the hospital's Facebook page.

Emma Bartlett from Canvey Island said: "He is the reason my dad is here – he is now

cancer-free and living his life with his wife, daughters and grandsons. No amount of thanks will be enough."

And Fran Hayward from Shoeburyness added: "This amazing man definitely saved my son's life. Without him I my son would not be here now with his wife, children and family. Thank you is just not enough."

A big cheer was raised for the winner of the Chairman's Outstanding Achievement award – facilities contract manager Nicky Kitchener, who was also nominated in the category of Unsung Hero.

Hospital Chairman, Alan Tobias said: "Nicky's commitment to continually improving our services for patients and

staff is phenomenal."

Nicky said: "I'm flabbergasted. It was such a memorable evening – I'll never forget it for as long as I live."

She added: "I feel like I'm just doing my job, but it is really nice to know that somewhere all of us winners have made a real difference. I don't just see this award as just for me, though – it is also for the teams I work with."

Mr Tobias rounded off the evening's proceedings. "Each person at Southend Hospital plays a vital part in the patient journey – regardless of where they work," he said.

"They should feel proud that they are making a difference every day. Thank you for your passion and innovation."

## WINNERS

- **Innovation Award**  
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- **Care With Compassion Award**  
Cardiology CNS Team
- **Unsung Hero Award**  
Nic Girvan, Learning & Organisational Development Consultant
- **MD's Professional and Accountable Award**  
Amanda Burton, Interim Head of Communications
- **Working Together Award**  
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# Smash hit tribute to giants of rock 'n' roll

WEST End smash hit, Be Bop A LuLa, which portrays five giants of rock 'n' roll – Eddie Cochran, Gene Vincent, Billy Fury, Buddy Holly and Roy Orbison – will be at Towngate Theatre this month and we have THREE pairs of tickets to give away.

In 1960s America, rockers Cochran and Vincent flew in from the States and were joined by British heartthrob Fury for the UK's first multi-artist rock 'n' roll tour.

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For more about the show and tickets visit [www.towngatetheatre.co.uk](http://www.towngatetheatre.co.uk) or call the box office on 01268 465465.

For your chance to see Be Bop A LuLa at Towngate Theatre, Basildon, at 7.30pm on Friday, October 27, answer this question.

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# Woman hurt as raiders try to get into her home

ROBBERS tried to force their way into a home in York Road, Southend, on Saturday, September 30.

They tried to gain entry to a property by knocking on the front door.

Police said the owners managed to keep the gang out but suffered injury and needed hospital treatment.

A spokesman said: "When the owners answered they quickly closed the door to stop the suspects from entering.

"Due to this the suspects tried to force entry through a pane of glass.

"The woman inside the property tried to prevent this entry and in doing

so had her arm injured by the broken glass. She was taken to hospital with minor injuries."

The suspects fled the scene.

DI David Miles added: "This is a very rare incident and at this point in our investigations we believe there to be no risk to the wider public.

"If you are worried about anyone who knocks on your door, please call 101 to report it, or if you are in immediate danger call 999."

Witnesses or anyone with information is asked to contact Southend police station on 101 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

● A MAN from Rayleigh has been convicted of a string of sex offences against boys.

Glen Bartlett was arrested in October 2015 after police received allegations of historic child abuse.

The offences relate to two boys under 16 dating back to the 1970s and 1980s.

Bartlett, 60, of Downhall Park Way, was charged in 2016 with 10 counts of buggery and two counts of indecent assault on a boy aged under 16.

He was found guilty at Norwich Crown Court and is due to be sentenced on October 10.

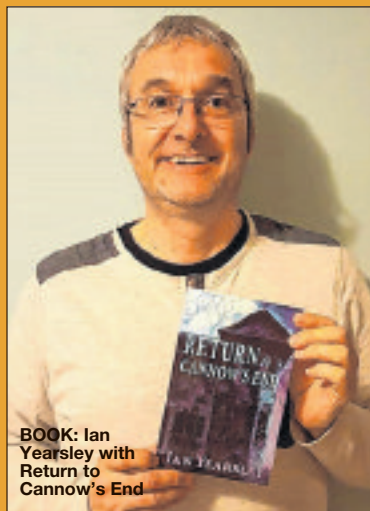
● A MAN was left with serious head injuries after being hit over the head with a bottle outside the The Pink Toothbrush in High Street, Rayleigh, at 3.30am on Saturday, September 23.

PC David Love said: "There would have been a lot of people on High Street at this time and I'm urging anyone who saw the incident or has any information about it to come forward."

Anyone with information can call PC Love on 101 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

● THUGS wearing balaclavas and armed with metal poles forced their way into an address in Eastern Avenue, Southend, at 9.20pm on Wednesday, September 13 and attacked a man inside. He was left with head and arm injuries.

Anyone with information can call PC Luke Stacey at Southend on 101.



BOOK: Ian Yearsley with Return to Cannow's End

## Witchcraft and smuggling at heart of author's latest book

EASTWOOD author Ian Yearsley is launching a new novel based around the witchcraft and smuggling legends of south-east Essex.

Return to Cannow's End, is a sequel to his 2012 novel, The Curse of Cannow's End, which was based on the witchcraft legends of the village of Canewdon.

With Return to Cannow's End Ian has developed the characters from the first novel and introduced aspects from the smuggling history of neighbouring Paglesham to weave a narrative that takes in witchcraft, smuggling, local geography, family history, family feuds and a quest for adventure.

Return to Cannow's End is Ian's 17th published book.

His background as a historian – he has an MA in history from the University of Essex and has been working over the summer for English Heritage at Tilbury Fort – helps to provide a realism to the story, which is anchored in the landscapes of south-east Essex, a place where he has lived and worked for 45 years.

Southend appears in the novel, as Thamesmouth, a name it was

almost given in 1906 when the local council discussed potential name changes for the town.

The ancient fishing village of Lee also gets a mention.

"I have always found south-east Essex to be an inspirational place in which to live and work," said Ian. "It has a fascinating history and many interesting legends."

"Return to Cannow's End has enabled me to develop my interest in the area by blending some of the historical topics I have researched over the years into a story which contains a lot of local folklore."

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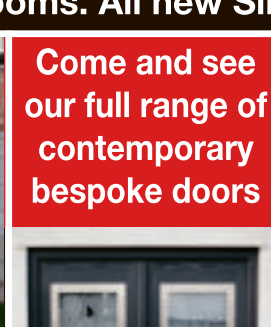
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**He's 70 years old and has survived cancer, but Canvey boy Wilko Johnson still found plenty of his renowned and uncanny life force to storm the Royal Albert Hall**

# Back in the night

Photos: Laurence Harvey

ROCK legend Wilko Johnson performed one of the biggest solo concerts of his life last week, marking his 70th birthday with a headline performance at the Royal Albert Hall.

The gig, on September 26, was arranged to celebrate the Dr Feelgood legend's birthday and the 30th anniversary of the Wilko Johnson Band.

The guitarist and songwriter was born and raised on Canvey Island and now lives in Southend.

He turned 70 in July but the Royal Albert Hall show was the final date of his UK tour, before he heads to Japan next month.

Wilko shot to fame in the mid-1970s with Dr Feelgood. The band scored a UK number one album in 1976 with their live concert recording Stupidity.

He has since played with Ian Dury and the Blockheads and toured the world as a solo performer with his own band.

He experienced a career resurgence in 2013 when, after being diagnosed with terminal pancreatic cancer, he announced that instead of seeking treatment would embark on a farewell tour.

A year later, having scored a hit album with The Who frontman Roger Daltrey - Going Back Home - he sought a second opinion on his cancer diagnosis after surviving longer than doctors had predicted.

Experts found he had been misdiagnosed and that his cancer was not terminal after all - but because he had not sought treatment, it had spread to other organs.

Johnson then underwent pioneering surgery to remove a tumour the size of a football and is now back on the road.

Discussing his 70th birthday with the *Yellow Advertiser* earlier this year, he quipped: "It might not have happened at all... Perhaps I shouldn't call

it 70. Perhaps I should call it plus four."

Speaking about the Royal Albert Hall show, he said playing the historic venue was the latest in a long line of events he could never have imagined happening a few years earlier.

"What else could happen?" he joked. "Perhaps I'll go out to the space station and do a gig."

Johnson was supported at the show by punk-poet Dr John Cooper Clarke.

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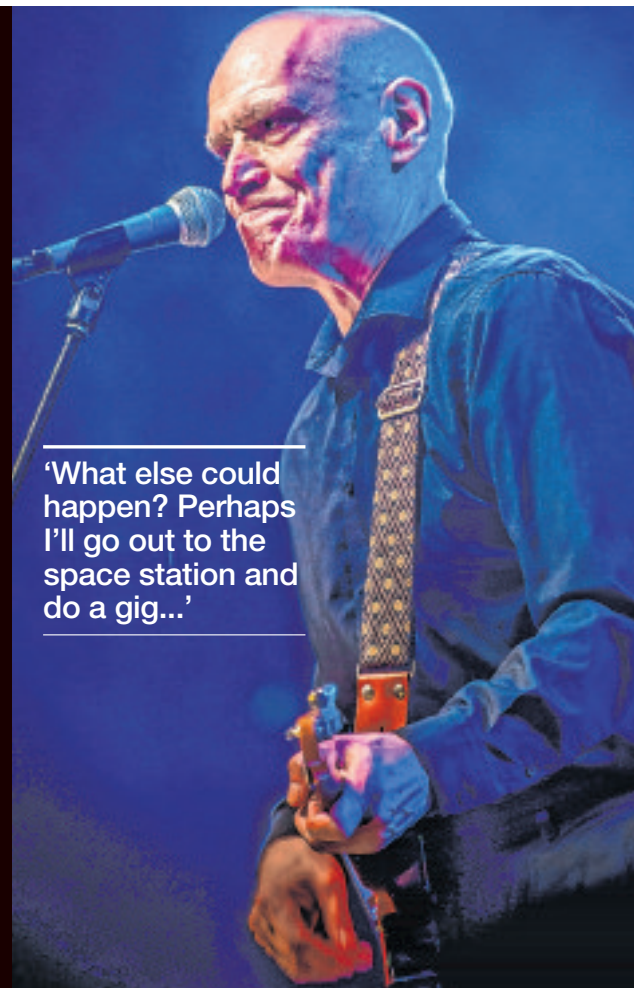
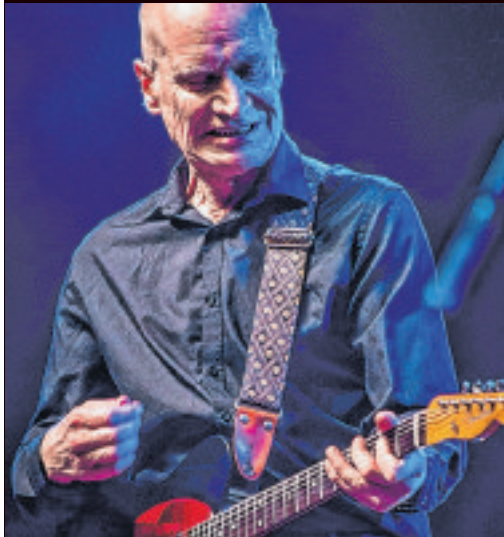
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finals. It will also showcase country sports activities and pursuits in three main show arenas and specialist smaller country sports arenas.

See scurry driving, horse boarding and the JPL Shetland Racing Teams in The Andy Singleton Arena; countryside demonstrations of falconry,

working ferrets, gundog displays and fishing, and demonstrations of working shire horses with N & J Shires in The Countryside Arena; and see dog displays from Shadowquest Dog Display Team, gundog training, lurcher and terrier showing and racing, and chase the bunny in The

World of Dogs Arena.

Visit the minor breed marquees, The Gundog Clinic for training and advice, enter The Gundog Multi Scurry and the Fun Dog Show, and try your skill at target field sports.

Two 30-minute speed carving events will take place each day in The Chainsaw Speed

Carving Arena, as well as hamster displays, puppet shows, make-and-take areas and children's amusements.

You can also visit the mini food festival, where you will find an array of food and drink to take away and the Piazza full of mouth-watering delights to eat at the show, as well as a

daily programme of cookery demonstrations. Dogs are welcome but keep them on a lead and clear up after them.

For further details about the event, which costs £13 for adults, £12 for over-65s and £4 for children, visit [www.essexgameandcountryfair.co.uk](http://www.essexgameandcountryfair.co.uk).

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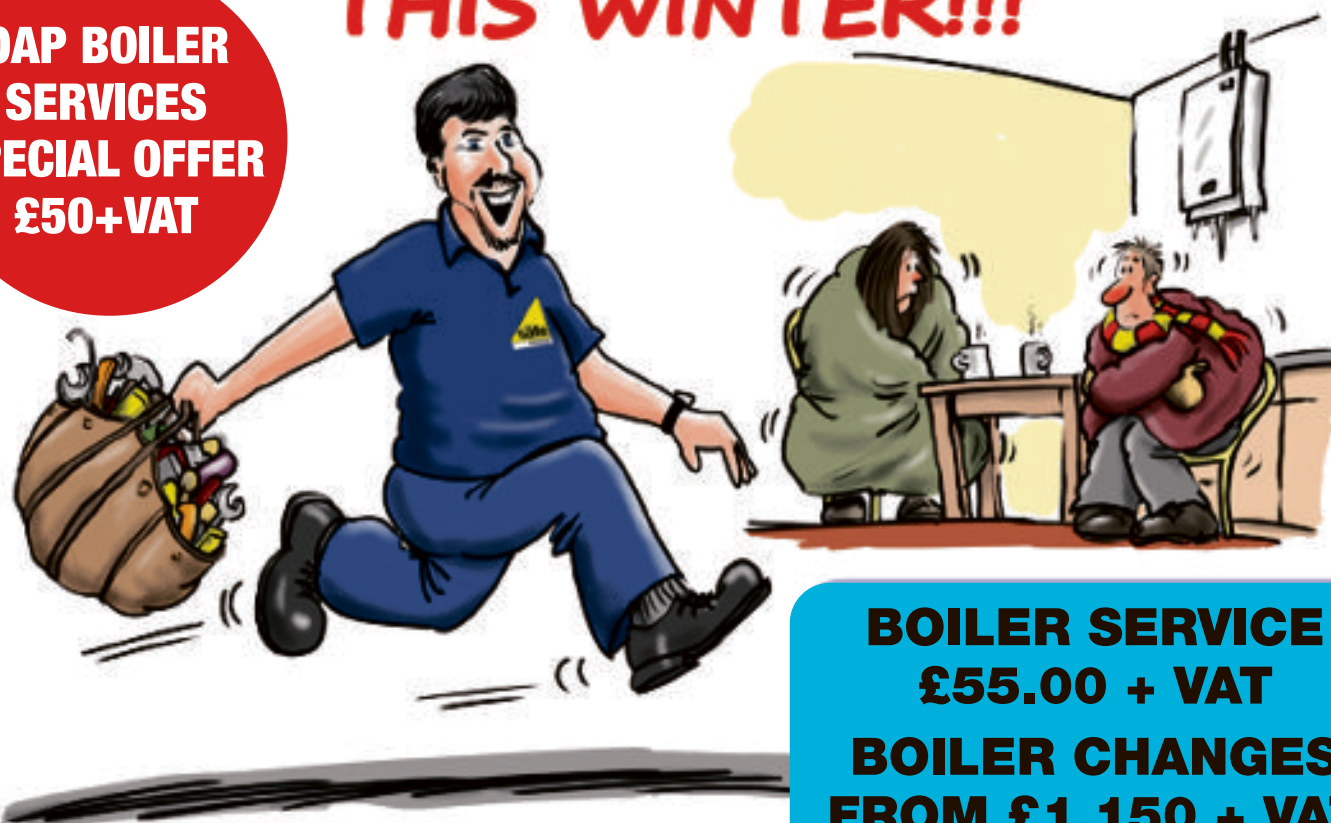
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Dancing can help fight off loss of brain-power as we age and appears to work better over a period of 18 months than cycling or Nordic walking using ski poles.

Researchers tested different exercise on 62 people with an average age of 68, measuring the size of the memory centre, called the hippocampus, in their brains.

In the study, published in Frontiers In Human

Neuroscience, the dance group were found to have a larger hippocampus, protected from memory loss and dementia.

It is thought the effort required to learn their steps helped those in the dance group to lose less brain volume. This is thought to cause memory problems and lead to Alzheimer's disease.

Study author, Dr Kathrin Rehfield of the German Centre for Neurodegenerative Diseases, said: 'Dancing is a powerful tool to set new challenges for body and mind, especially in older age.'

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# Family pays tribute to 'hero' who died in crash



DAD: Petru Barticel

TRIBUTES have been paid to a man who died following a road collision on Canvey.

Police officers received calls of a road traffic collision between a car and a cyclist at around 6.10am on Friday, September 15.

Petru Barticel, 43, from Canvey, died at the scene.

In a tribute his family said: "Petru was a loving father and husband. He was a hero and has now become an angel."

"He has left this world and his family too early and many tears have been passed since he has gone."

Three men were arrested on suspicion of causing death by dangerous driving.

Two, aged 19 and 32, have been released without charge and a 24-year-old has been released under investigation.

Anyone who witnessed the collision, or has dashcam footage, is asked to contact the Serious Collision Investigation Unit on 01245 240590 or email [collision.appeal@essex.pnn.police.uk](mailto:collision.appeal@essex.pnn.police.uk).

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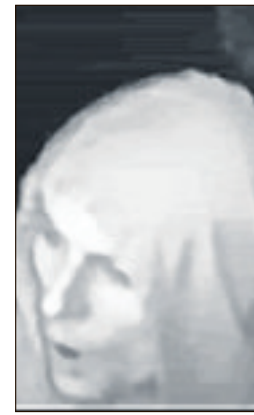
A woman used a cashpoint machine at the Co-op store to draw out money but left without taking the money from the machine.

After realising her mis-

take she returned and spoke to a woman stood at the machine after she left.

However, the money was no longer in the cash machine and had been taken.

Anyone with information is asked to contact PC Dave Griffiths at Southend police station on 101 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.



TRIO: Police investigating a break-in at a care home in Southend have released these CCTV images of three men they want to question

## Care home burglary

THESE men are wanted for questioning by police in connection with a burglary in York Road, Southend, on Saturday, September 16.

Three men entered a care home shortly after 2am and stole two handbags and numerous food items.

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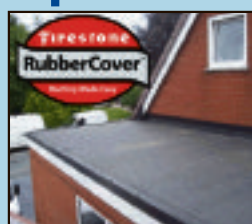
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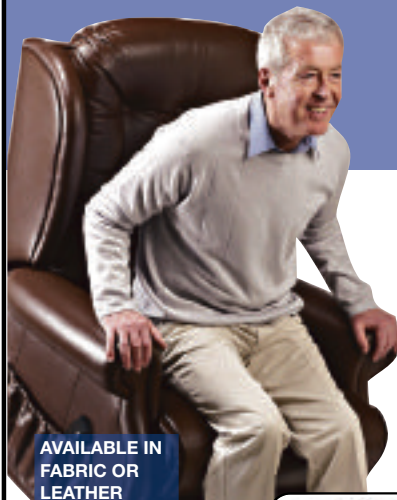
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## Brexit and patronizing politics

K. KNIGHT contends that my arguing for granting the people of this land a rethink on Brexit if it turns out to be detrimental to the nation and far from what was promised them during the referendum campaign to their cost, is endless dubious waffle (*Readers' Letters*, Sept 28).

If it's endless waffle compared to Keith's constant curious dissing of the foremost peace and prosperity, democracy and equality-promoting endeavour on the face of the planet, so be it ... you pays your money you takes your choice there.

But dubious? Is it dubious to want what started with the people to end with the people, rather than the far-right of the Tory Party interpreting their wishes for them and its own scurrilously extreme ends?

I'd call that dangerously patronizing politics at its worst ... and that is offensive in the extreme.

Indeed, is my waffle, endless or not, anywhere near as dubious as Mr Knight's own invocation of a Nazi slogan (Ein Volk, Ein Reich, Ein Führer) to apply to this enlightened collective EU endeavour by the hitherto unusual route of politically entwined peace and prosperity, democracy and equality, that is the very antithesis of Nazism?

I would contend that it is not

... not by a very long chalk and then some ... and I would further contend that K. Knight is in danger of benightedly losing the plot here.

**John Haran**  
**Leigh-on-Sea**

## Referendum a bid to heal Tory wounds

MR KNIGHT (*Readers' Letters*, September 29) in his attempt to split hairs over Europe fails to see the point of my comment about the 1972 referendum.

We keep being told by Brexiteers to "get over losing the referendum" and that democracy means the result must be delivered.

However, it cannot be democratic to force us to sit and watch as the wished-for successful Brexit unravels faster than a cheap jumper, and to then refuse the people a say on what is being delivered.

The referendum was never about what's best for Britain but a sordid attempt to heal the age-old wounds in the Conservative Party.

Their liars-in-chief continue to repeat proven falsehoods and refuse to be honest about how much damage will be done to the UK economy and if we will ever recover.

Experts will tell you that, but if you'd rather listen to the trained journalist Michael Gove so be it.

If there is a hidden agenda it is most likely that those promoting Brexit will financially

gain through off-shore trusts and hedge funds while the rest of us suffer.

With most of the EU member states already members of NATO and with the US under the control of the ever unstable Donald Trump, it would make sense for some continued military co-operation among the EU members.

With Vladimir Putin flexing his muscles in Crimea we cannot rely on the US to come to our aid.

As for Jean-Claude Juncker, as an elected head of the commission, appointed by national leaders and approved by the Parliament, he couldn't be further from a dictator.

The comparison to Hitler is exactly why some of us find a section of our fellow Brits a national embarrassment.

**Paul Martin**  
**Rayleigh**

## Carry out the will of the people

STEVE Dewhurst is correct in his summing up of the Brexit situation (*YA*, September 22).

The result was never expected or planned for by the establishment and all we can hope for now is that the government will carry out the will of the people.

Members of Parliament should act on the demands of the electorate, not on their own desires, after all they had their chance to vote the same as we all had.

If only they would accept the situation, things would go forward a lot smoother.

Unfortunately, there are people around who would, by fair means or foul, attempt to disrupt the Brexit process and when I view falsehoods and misrepresentations I feel obliged to attempt to correct them, hence my ongoing correspondence to the *YA*.

I agree with Steve that the proof of the pudding will be in the eating and as nobody can tell the future we will all have to wait and see, but it would seem others will not accept this.

They had the entire establishment on their side, virtually all the corporate media and

most of the money and still they lost, and they lost because they are wrong.

Let us all accept what has happened and move forward into a hopefully brighter future.

**K. Knight**  
**Basildon**

## No wonder Europe didn't work

DAVID Cameron's big mistake was not demanding a ten per cent Brexit majority in all four home counties.

The leavers could hardly complain, not when Nigel Farage boasted that two thirds to three quarters of the British people were for it.

I keep hearing about the unelected mob in Brussels. Goodness knows what all that European Parliament palaver and MEP malarkey was all about then.

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## Chimneys tumble

THE Essex landscape will never be the same after one of its most iconic landmarks was blown up.

Residents from Kent and Essex gathered along the banks of the River Thames on Thursday, September 28, to watch as the two chimneys at Tilbury Power Station were brought tumbling to the ground by a controlled explosion.

The 170-metre chimneys were visible from miles away and were a key feature of the county's skyline for 50 years.

The building first went up in 1967 and became fully operational in 1969. Until 2011 it operated as a coal-fired power station, during which time its iconic chimneys could be seen pumping out smoke across the river.



In 2011 owner energy company RWE was granted permission to convert the plant into a biomass station.

It reopened in 2012 but suffered a major fire months later. More than 120 firefighters battled the blaze after between 4,000 and 6,000 tonnes of fuel went up in smoke.

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# Regal Kitchens scoops business of the year title

THE bestof Chelmsford is delighted to announce that it has a national winner in the category of the Business of the Year 2017 Awards.

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During the campaign people were asked to show their support for their favourite business by submitting a review of the service they had received.

At national level more than 37,000 verified reviews were left for those businesses that had qualified to take part in the awards.



The awards operate at national and local level with a UK Business of the Year, Category Business of the Year and Town Business of the Year.

The businesses which won in the category nationally can be very proud of its achievements.

With Regal Kitchens as the winner, this has placed Chelmsford on the map for all the right reasons. Also on a local level, Indian Restaurant Live Dosa received 61 reviews, winning Best Business in Town and recruitment company Ascension Global Recruitment, which received 18 reviews, was third nationally.

Tom Boshier, from The bestof Chelmsford, said: "We are incredibly proud of all our local businesses who qualified for the Chelmsford Business of the Year Awards. They received fantastic reviews from local people using their services. On behalf of the businesses I would like to thank every single person who took the time to leave a review. By doing so they publicly acknowledged the contribution that these businesses make to our local economy."

For more about Regal Kitchens call its Chelmsford showroom, at 2 Navigation Road, on 01245 351151, or the Billericay showroom, at 2 Whitesbridge Retail Park, Crays Hill, on 01268 525922. Visit [www.regalkitchens.co.uk/essex-kitchens/](http://www.regalkitchens.co.uk/essex-kitchens/) or find it on Facebook.

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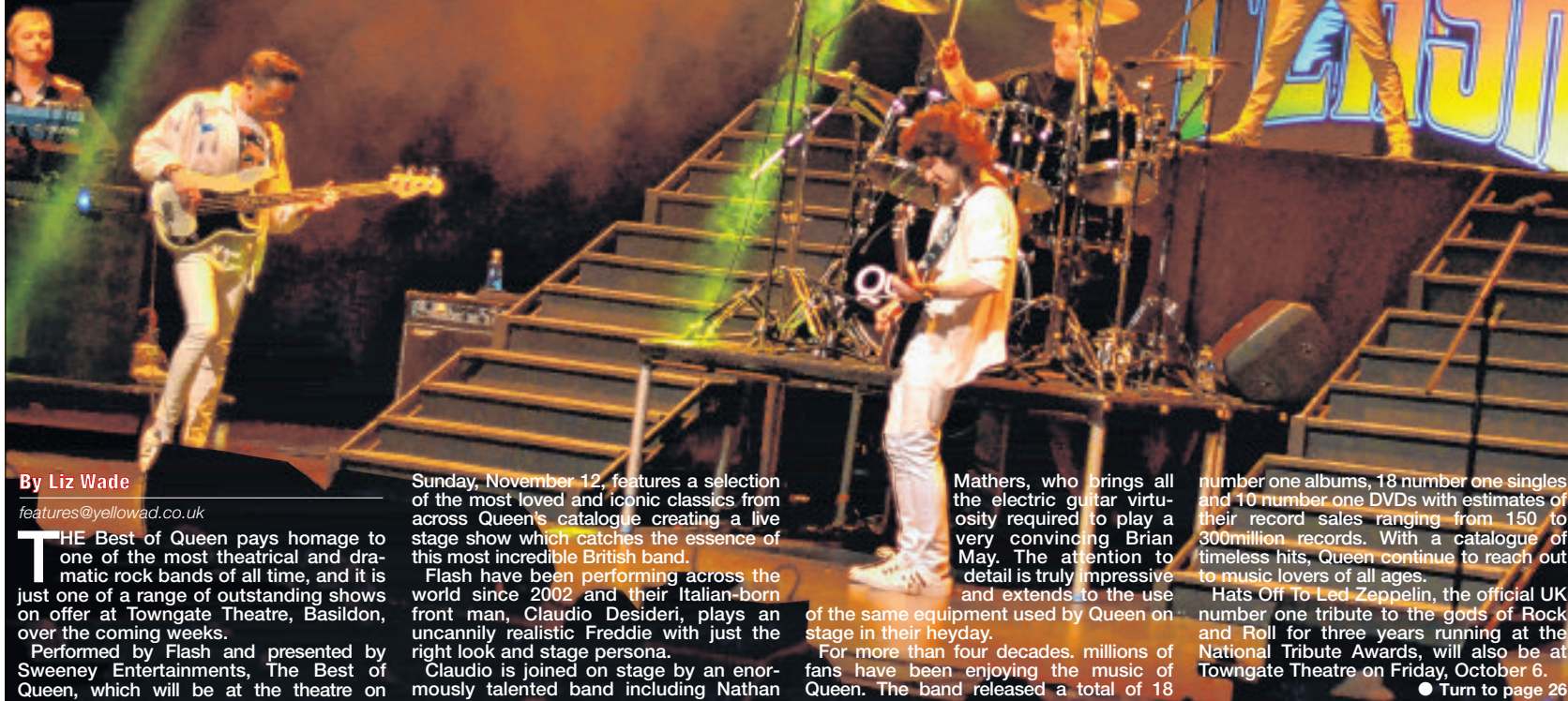




# LIFESTYLE

## TRIBUTES AT TOWNGATE

KILLER: Queen tribute act Flash



By Liz Wade

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**T**HE Best of Queen pays homage to one of the most theatrical and dramatic rock bands of all time, and it is just one of a range of outstanding shows on offer at Towngate Theatre, Basildon, over the coming weeks.

Performed by Flash and presented by Sweeney Entertainments, The Best of Queen, which will be at the theatre on

Sunday, November 12, features a selection of the most loved and iconic classics from across Queen's catalogue creating a live stage show which catches the essence of this most incredible British band.

Flash have been performing across the world since 2002 and their Italian-born front man, Claudio Desideri, plays an uncannily realistic Freddie with just the right look and stage persona.

Claudio is joined on stage by an enormously talented band including Nathan

Mathers, who brings all the electric guitar virtuosity required to play a very convincing Brian May. The attention to detail is truly impressive and extends to the use of the same equipment used by Queen on stage in their heyday.

For more than four decades, millions of fans have been enjoying the music of Queen. The band released a total of 18

number one albums, 18 number one singles and 10 number one DVDs with estimates of their record sales ranging from 150 to 300million records. With a catalogue of timeless hits, Queen continue to reach out to music lovers of all ages.

Hats Off To Led Zeppelin, the official UK number one tribute to the gods of Rock and Roll for three years running at the National Tribute Awards, will also be at Towngate Theatre on Friday, October 6.

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The band, who were also voted best tribute act in the UK this year, will play a catalogue of Zeppelin hits from Black Dog and Whole Lotta Love, to Stairway To Heaven and Kashmir.

Hats Off to Led Zeppelin features Pete Eldridge, from the West End show We Will Rock You, as singer, Robert Plant.

The band are also the only tribute act in the UK endorsed by Marshall amplifiers and are managed by Warren Grant, son of Peter, Zeppelin's legendary manager.

Whitney – Queen of the Night follows on Saturday, October 7, which is a roller-coaster ride through three decades of classic hits including I Wanna Dance With Somebody, One Moment In Time, Saving All My Love and many more.

This award-winning production features a stellar line-up, including rising West End star, Rebecca Freckleton, and offers a stunning celebration of the music and life of one of the greatest singers of our time, Whitney Houston.

On Saturday, October 7, The Rozzers – The Police Tribute Band will be performing in the theatre's Mirren Studio. The Rozzers have built a reputation as an incredibly authentic tribute act, playing clubs, theatres, festivals and corporate events.

The Police were one of the hottest groups on the planet in their heyday, from 1977 to 1983. The catalogue of hits, such as Every Breath You Take, Message in a Bottle and Walking on the Moon, makes them an ideal group for tribute act.

It will be "Friday night and the lights are low" at the theatre on October 13, when Thank You for the Music hits the stage, with classics including Super Trouper, Waterloo, Mamma Mia and Knowing Me Knowing You, this is the ultimate tribute to ABBA.

For further details and tickets for any of these Towngate shows visit [www.towngate-theatre.co.uk](http://www.towngate-theatre.co.uk) or call the box office on 01268 465465.

# TEARS IN RAIN

**BLADE RUNNER 2049**  
(15, 163 mins)

**T**HE imperfect, rain-lashed future of the original Blade Runner is almost upon us.

Ridley Scott's ground-breaking 1982 fantasy conjured a breathtaking vision of a dystopian Los Angeles in 2019, festooned with alluring holograms that flicker to the mournful strains of Vangelis' score.

The eagerly awaited sequel, directed by Denis Villeneuve, who was Oscar-nominated for the elliptical sci-fi thriller Arrival, honours the past and respectfully expands the nihilistic universe imagined by Philip K. Dick in his novel, Do Androids Dream Of Electric Sheep?

In Blade Runner 2049, androids dream of wooden horses and possessing the one thing that cannot be coded into their meticulously crafted bodies: a soul.

Motifs from the earlier mission reverberate tantalisingly throughout this pristine follow-up, deftly stitching together two timelines without completely excluding audiences who are blissfully ignorant of the original picture.

Familiarity undoubtedly enriches the experience, but also sows seeds of nostalgia-tinged disappointment.

For all its bravura production design and flawless special effects, Blade Runner 2049

doesn't smack gobs with its invention aside from a sensual three-way sex scene that gently tickles our g-spot.

Like the automata that enrich human lives, Villeneuve's film is one small yet significant iteration shy of perfection.

The laconic hero is officer KD6-3.7 (Ryan Gosling), one of a new breed of grizzled blade runners, who "retire" genetically engineered replicants that live among the weary population.

He returns home each night to a cold, functional apartment, where a holographic companion called Joi (Ana de Armas) creates the illusion of companionship.

Working under Lieutenant Joshi (Robin Wright) at the Los Angeles Police Department, K hunts outdated Nexus-8 models, which haven't been coded to cherish humankind like the new replicants fashioned by Niander Wallace (Jared Leto).

His "angels" are closely monitored by his most perfect creation, Luv (Sylvia Hoeks), who jealously guards her elevated position at her creator's side.

In the course of his unforgiving work, K uncovers a shocking secret.

"This breaks the world," whispers a terrified Joshi.

The subsequent quest for answers leads K to Deckard (Harrison Ford), who is reluctant to venture back into the automated world that almost destroyed him.

Blade Runner 2049 is a beautifully crafted thriller that sustains

Ryan Gosling as K (left) and Harrison Ford as Rick Deckard  
PA Photo/Alcon Entertainment, LLC/Frank Ockenfels

a pedestrian pace, allowing us to second-guess K and even beat him to a couple of narrative punches.

Gosling's

restrained performance contrasts with de Armas' luminous embodiment of a digitised love interest, who yearns to connect on the most primal level.

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- Table Tennis – Laindon Community Centre, Aston Road, off High Street, for over-50s, 11am-1pm, 07931 564105.

### Saturday, October 7

- Model Railway Exhibition – Thundersley Methodist Church, Kennington Avenue, Thundersley, SS7 4BS. 10am-4pm. Adults £3, seniors £2, children (five to 16) 50p.
- Saturday Club – for people with special needs, 9am to noon, games, music, arts, crafts. Ages 14 upwards, Frypa Hall, The Fryth, Basildon. 01268 415409.
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- Different Strokes Exercise Class for stroke victims – St Peter's Church Hall, Eastbourne Grove, Southend, 2.30pm. 01702 612509.

### Sunday, October 8

- Canvey Miniature Railway Train Rides – by Waterside Sports Centre, Somers Avenue, Canvey Island, SS8 9RA. 10.30am-3.45pm. £1 each per ride.
- Hockley & District Horticultural Society trading hut – behind Hawkwell Village Hall, Main Road, Hawkwell, 10am to noon. Membership £3.
- Sunday School – The Ark, Hadleigh Methodist Church, Chapel Lane, SS7 2PQ, 11am to noon, ages three to 10. Call 07585 601815 or 07967 913344.
- Quaker Meeting for silent worship and meditation – Quaker Meeting House, Dundonald Drive, Leigh-on-Sea, 10.30-11.30am, followed by conversation.
- King's Church, Southend – Blenheim School, off Blenheim Chase, Leigh, 10.30am to noon, 01702 523639.
- Greek Community of Southend & District, Church of St Barbara, St Phanourios and St Paul's, Salisbury Ave, Westcliff, 10am to noon, 01702 466435.
- Sunday Club – TGH Evangelical Church, Kiln Road, Thundersley, (ages three to 12), 10.45-11.45am, details 01702 554904.
- Mojo Friendship Club – Travellers' Joy, Downhall Road, Rayleigh, details Mo 07757 658799.

### Monday, October 9

- Walking football sessions – Civic Hall, Grays, 6-7pm. £2 per session.
- Ron Spack's Jazztet – Dave Jago, trombone, Gareth George, guitar, Oakwood, Rayleigh Road, Eastwood, Southend, 8.30pm. Details 01702 512819.
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- Weekly Craft Workshop – St Peter's Church Hall, Thundersley, 6-8pm, Michelle 07730 582784.
- Basildon Players Amateur Dramatic Group – 8-10pm, James Hornsby High School, Leinster Road, Laindon, details Jeff 07913 426371, join@basildonplayers.co.uk.
- Zumba – Pitsea Day Centre Over-50s, Northlands Pavement, Pitsea, 9.15-10am. 01268 465432.
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- Hadleigh Castle Townswomen's Guild – Appliance Hall, Old Fire Station, High Street SS7 2PA. 1.30-3.30pm. Visitors £2.50.
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- Walking netball sessions – Civic Hall, Grays, 9-10am. £2 per session.
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- Craft Group – Oasis Coffee House, 189 Leigh Rd, Leigh. 2.30-4pm. 01702 471873.
- Little Lunchers Activity Club – St Michael's Church, Rayleigh, 11.45am-1.15pm.
- Social Dance – 1.45pm, St Cedd's Church, Bridgewater Drive, Westcliff. Ballroom, sequence, Latin, 01702 618771.
- Scrabble Club – Hockley Social Centre (rear of library), 6.30-10pm, first two visits free, 01702 205910.
- Evening of clairvoyance – St Cecilia's Christian Spiritualist Church, 9 Lord Roberts Avenue, Leigh-on-Sea, 7.15pm, £2.50.
- Folk Music – The Hoy at Anchor Folk Club, Royal British Legion, 7/9 Northview Drive, Westcliff, 8pm. 01702 715111.
- Willows Park Short Mat Bowls Club requires new or experienced players – James Hornsby School, Laindon. First session free, call or text 07952 043456.
- Top Cats Social Club (Southend Mencap) – Castle View School, Meppel Avenue, Canvey, 7-9.45pm, for adults with learning disabilities age 25-plus, £2 per session, details 01702 341250.
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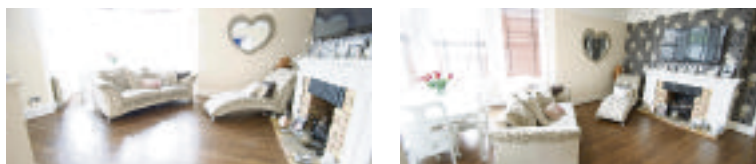
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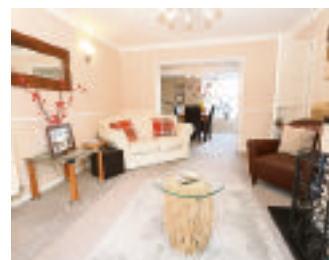


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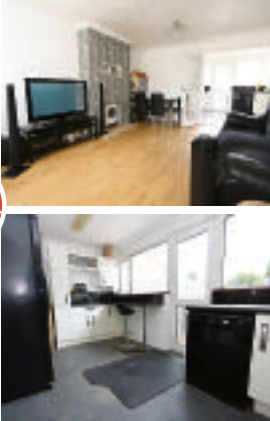
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TO STATION

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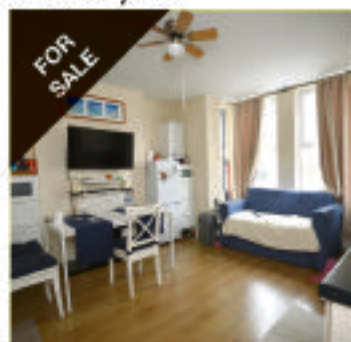
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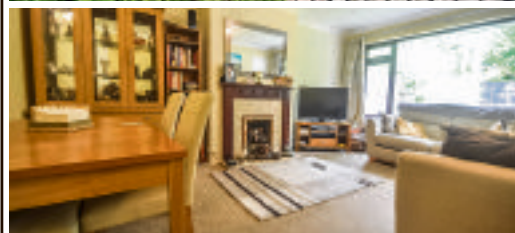
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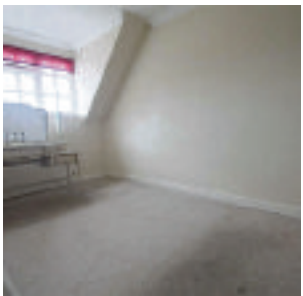
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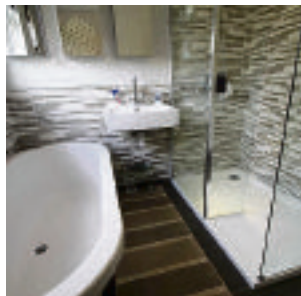
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## Leigh On Sea £1,200 pcm



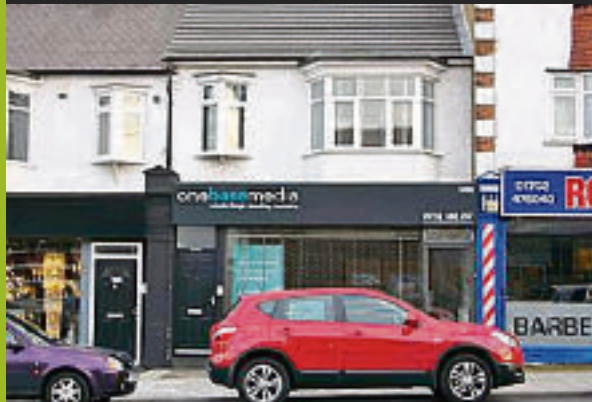
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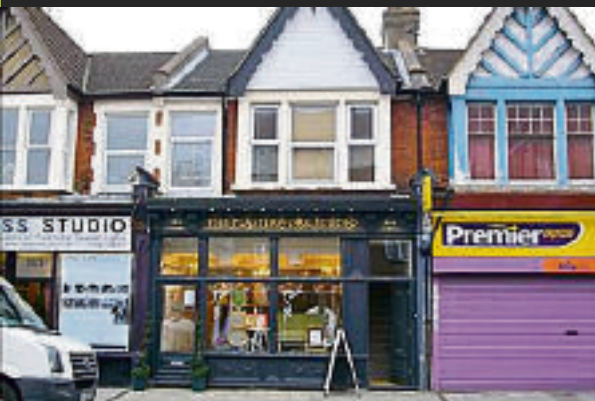
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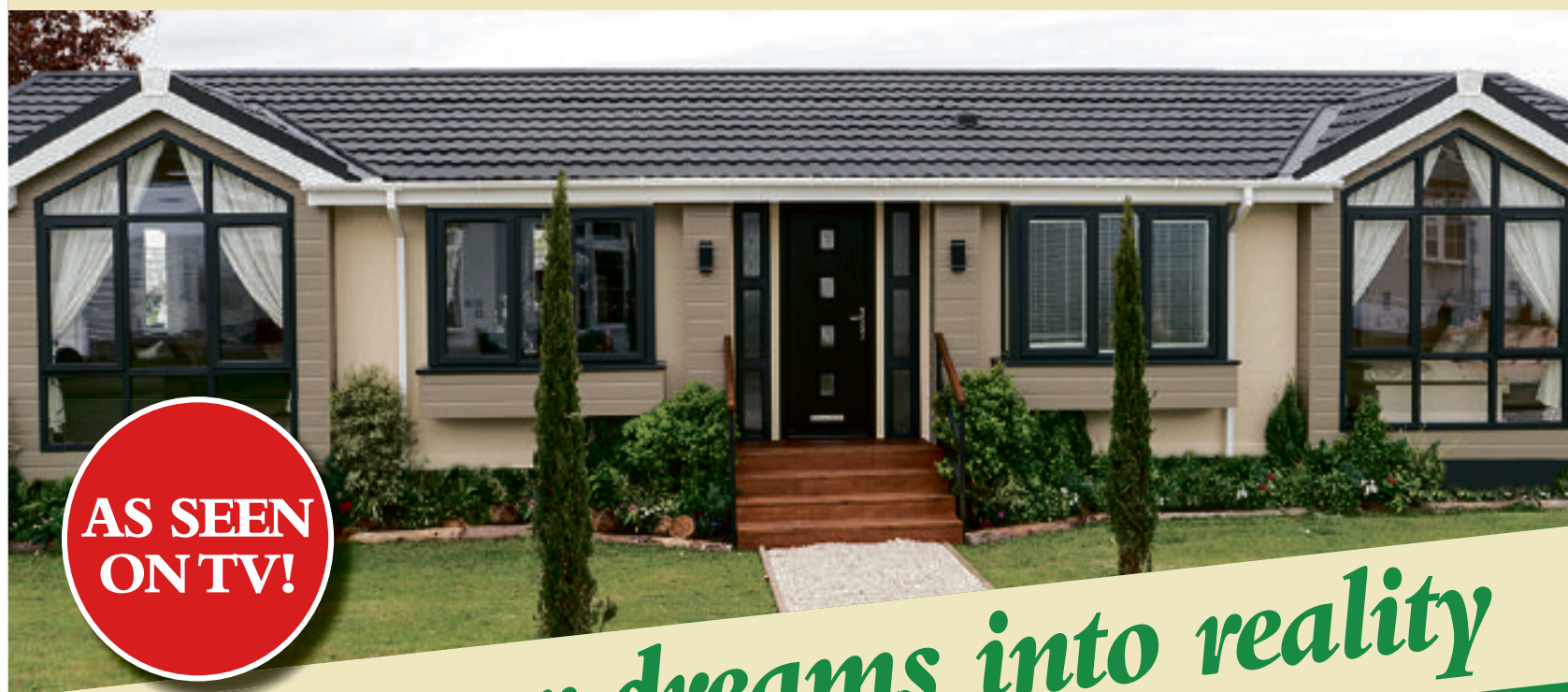
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## Campaign to help older drivers

By Chris Russon

TELEVISION presenter Valerie Singleton has joined forces with road safety organisation GEM Motoring Assist to promote a campaign to help elderly drivers.

The former Blue Peter star has produced a video explaining what happens as people age and how they can stay safe on the road.

More than 100,000 people over the age of 90 in the UK still have driving licences and as part of the initiative GEM has launched a Still Safe to Drive website.

The online portal – [stillsafetodrive.org.uk](http://stillsafetodrive.org.uk) – offers practical advice for everyone on staying safe at the wheel, and also assists family members and friends to find kind but effective ways of helping those senior drivers who may not realise – or will not admit – that they pose a greater risk to others.

It follows a recent study by researchers at Swansea

University that showed older road users are no more dangerous than other drivers.

Neil Worth, GEM Motoring Assist road safety officer, said: "Age discrimination shapes how older persons are treated and perceived, nowhere more than on the road."

"There is a perception too widely held that older people are slow, dithery and downright dangerous, which is just not true."

"The study, prepared by researchers at Swansea University, showed that although reaction times may increase as people grow older, this is compensated by older drivers taking more care on road journeys."

In the video, Ms Singleton talks to doctors, ophthalmologists, psychologists and road safety experts who explain ways to help extend safe driving careers and what motorists should do as they get older.



ADVICE: Valerie Singleton and GEM Motoring Assist are promoting a campaign for older motorists

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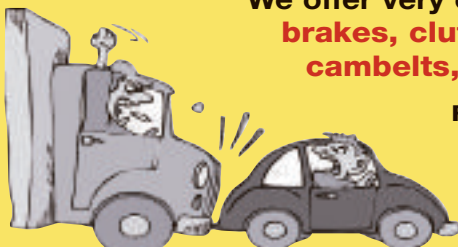
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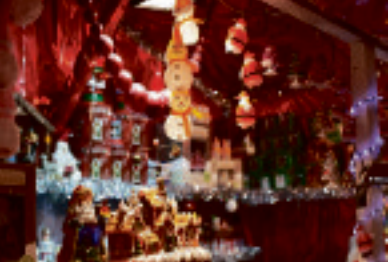
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MARK Oxley's dramatic stoppage time penalty save meant Southend extended their winning run to three games on Saturday.

The Blues were coasting, thanks to Anthony Wordsworth and Simon Cox strikes, but a Kyle Vassell effort ensured a frantic finale.

The hosts got off to the perfect start when Curtis Tilt gave away a needless corner. From Stephen McLaughlin's flag-kick to the near post, Wordsworth was in the right place at the right time to glide home into the top corner after only five minutes.

Tilt popped up at the other end on 11 minutes and should have levelled, but misdirected his header well wide from skipper Jim Ryan's inswinging cross.

But, the Tangerines kept pressing, with Sessi D'Almeida's header nestling on the top of the home net, before Oliver Turton sliced a long-range effort wide.

Vassell went closer on 29 minutes, but Oxley, with the help of the woodwork, kept out his stinging drive.

On what seemed a rare breakaway, considering the unrelenting Tangerines' pressure, Cox was unlucky to see his 40th minute

effort cleared off the line, after Ryan Allsop managed to get a vital finger-tip to take the momentum out of a certain goal.

Despite ending the half the more likelier to score, the visitors' sloppiness saw Cox double the Shrimpers' lead barely a minute into the second period.

And, it was full-guy Tilt, who completely misjudged a backpass to his keeper under pressure from Cox and the striker took full advantage, netting from well inside the six-yard box.

Southend then came under further Blackpool pressure, but Phil Brown will have been unhappy in the manner Vassell was allowed to reduce the deficit on 56 minutes.

A long Ryan punt was completely missed by the back four and the former Peterborough man smartly rounded Oxley to net in front of the 236 travelling fans.

The Tangerines then threw the proverbial kitchen sink at the home defence and should have had a penalty for an apparent Anton Ferdinand foul, before Oxley produced a couple of top drawer saves in the dying moments of this cliffhanger.

In the first minute of stoppage time, sub Will Aimson thought he had finally broken his opponents' resistance, only for Jason Demetriou to make a fine goal line block.

But, with 92 minutes on the clock, referee John Brooks pointed to the spot after an infringement with Demetriou appearing to baulk an opponent close to goal.

Up stepped Ryan, but Oxley guessed right and pawed away what was an admittedly poor penalty kick.

Southend's supporters weren't bothered though as the hosts survived another three tortuous minutes of time added-on, to leave boss, Brown praising his players.

"Today was about the result. Blackpool deserved something from the game and they will be up there at the end of the season," he said. "At the end, it was all about Mark Oxley's penalty save. And, he had had a difficult week with a funeral to attend. We had to stand up against Blackpool at the end as they threw the kitchen sink at us."

"Had it been a draw, then, maybe, it would have been a good point, but, two-one is a fantastic result."

"We go again next Saturday at Doncaster Rovers (kick-off 3pm), but we can take stock and confidence from today's result; that's nine points in a week."

Match-winner Cox added: "It felt like a basketball game. Anyone who could put their foot on the ball was going to win the game. We got our pressing right and knew what we needed to do to beat them. But,

then we gave away a sloppy goal.

"I'm happy with my goal. Three wins from three is pivotal at any time of the season and not many teams go on a run in this, or any league."

Cox concluded: "Blackpool are a good side, and the league table doesn't lie. And, we knew it would be a tough test today. But, the penalty save was massive for us."

Tangerines' boss Gary Bowyer said: "We gave away two sloppy goals. But, we had a chance to take something from the game – although their keeper has made a hell of a save from the spot kick, as well as superb saves from Vassell and Cooke. Today has been a big learning curve for us."

**Southend United:** Mark Oxley, Jason Demetriou, Anton Ferdinand (capt), Harry Kyrianiou, Michael Timlin, Josh Wright, Ryan Leonard, Anthony Wordsworth, Stephen McLaughlin (John White 73), Simon Cox (Theo Robinson 79), Nile Ranger (Marc-Antoine Fortune 62). Subs: Nathan Bishop, Stephen Hendrie, Dru Yearwood, Jermaine McGlashan.

**Blackpool:** Ryan Allsop, Oliver Turton, Clark Robertson, Curtis Tilt, Colin Daniel, Jimmy Ryan (capt), Sessi D'Almeida (Callum Cooke 68), Sean Kingston, Nathan Delfouneso, Kyle Vassell (Scott Quigley 81), Viv Solomon Otabor (Will Aimson 54). Subs: Ben Williams (gk), Kelvin Mellor, Andy Taylor, Max Clayton.

**Referee:** John Brooks

**Assistants:** Gregory Read and Nicholas Cooper

**Fourth Official:** Andrew Aylott

**Attendance:** 6,688.

## Non-league round-up

### Concord fly into next round of cup

By Brian Jeeves

CONCORD Rangers progressed through to the Emirates FA Cup fourth qualifying stage after a comfortable 3-0 victory over Dorking Wanderers at the Aspect Arena. Amos Nasha, Steve Cawley and Jordan Cox found the net for the Beach Boys, who will hope to carry their excellent cup form over into the league over the coming months.

Chelmsford City made cup progress after Chris Dickson's double was enough to knock out Weymouth at the Melbourne Stadium by two goals to one. Juan Luque and Samuel Bantick helped Heybridge Swifts to a 2-1 win over Frome Town. However, East Thurrock United and Harlow Town will try again after sharing four goals at Rookery Hill. Sam Higgins scored twice for the Rocks, while Alex Read and Xavier Vidal responded for Harlow. Billericay Town also face a replay after Ricky Modeste earned the Blues a 1-1 draw at Hungerford Town.

However, it's the end of the Wembley trail for Braintree Town, who were beaten 4-1 at Brackley Town, and AFC Hornchurch following a 2-0 setback at Hereford FC.

Dagenham & Redbridge kept in touch with the National League's chasing pack thanks to Fejiri Okenabirhie's last-minute winner against bottom of the table Torquay United at Victoria Road.

This result moves the Daggers up to second, just a point behind leaders Dover Athletic.

It was another tough afternoon for Leyton Orient. The O's have lost their way of late and their cause wasn't aided by Danny Rowe's double at Brisbane Road which gave visitors AFC Fylde a 2-1 victory in east London.

Jobi McAnuff pulled one back, but it's now four defeats in five for Steve Davis's men.

Junior Ogedi-Uzokwe bagged a hat-trick, two from the penalty spot, while Ryan Gondoh was also on target for Maldon & Tiptree in a 4-2 win over Tilbury. Luke Hornsley bagged a brace in response for the Dockers. Mitchell Gilbey's goal ten minutes from time was enough for Canvey Island to grab the points with a 1-0 win over Bury Town at Park Lane, while Chris Taylor scored for Romford and Tim Monsheju for Witham as the sides drew 1-1 at Ship Lane.

Andrew Freeman hit the only goal as Brentwood Town won at Grays Athletic, but Tony Stokes's strike proved to be mere consolation as Bowers & Pitsea went down 2-1 at home to Norwich United.

Christian Assombalonga (2) and Rimmel Daniel goals weren't enough for Waltham Abbey who lost 4-3 against Dereham Town at Capershots.

In the Essex Senior League, Great Wakering Rovers hammered FC Romania 4-0, while Woodford Town (2017) also hit four, beating Sporting Bengal United 4-1.

Redbridge were in decent form, beating Hullbridge Sports 6-1, and there was a notable 3-0 victory for Basildon United over in-form Tower Hamlets at the Stuart Bingham Stadium.

Southend Manor saw off Waltham Forest by the odd goal in five at the Southchurch Park Arena, and there was a 2-0 success for Takeley over Clapton. The match between Barking and Sawbridgeworth Town ended in a 1-1 draw.

Selected action from the ProKit UK Essex Olympian League saw Leigh Ramblers win their Premier League clash with Rayleigh Town by two goals to nil, while Manford Way were 3-0 winners over Basildon Town.

Harold Hill were the big winners in Division One, beating Newbury Forest 5-2. Great Baddow took the points with a 3-1 success over Old Southendian at Garon Park, AFC Shenfield won an entertaining clash at Old Chelmsfordians 4-3.

Ongar Town were the big winners in Division Two, thrashing Ryan FC 6-1, while Rochford Town were 1-0 winners at Upminster.

Debden Sports was among the goals in Division Three, thrashing Leytonstone United 8-1, while in Division Four Southend Sports saw off Leight Ramblers Reserves 3-1.

## Essex complete unbeaten championship season

## Cricket

### Essex v Yorkshire Specsavers County Championship Division One Brian Jeeves reporting from the Cloudfm County Ground, Chelmsford

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Right-arm fast bowler Sam Cook recorded his second five-wicket

haul in four Championship appearances, while Jamie Porter, who put pen to paper on a new two-year deal ahead of the game and South African all-rounder Simon Harmer took their personal tally for the season to 75 and 72 respectively, as Yorkshire were brushed aside inside three days.

In recording their seventh title success, Essex won ten and drew four of their 14 Division One fixtures as they finished 72 points ahead of second-placed Lancashire.

Speaking after the match, Essex head coach Chris Silverwood said: "The bowling attack have been relentless, they've tried to control the run-rate and make life very difficult for the opposition. Porter has

stepped up beautifully, Harmer has come in and fitted in well, Sam Cook has come in, young Beard, everyone in the bowling attack has done exceptionally well.

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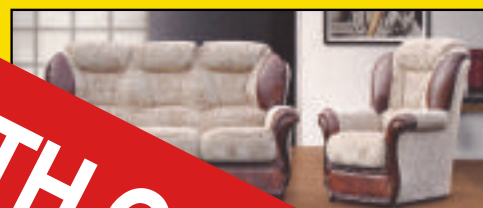
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